



State of California

LITTLE HOOVER COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF MEETINGS

On Thursday, March 27, 2008, the Little Hoover Commission will conduct a public hearing on California's water boards. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol in Sacramento.

This is the first of two planned hearings as part of the Commission's review of the governance structure surrounding water in California, including the State Water Resources Control Board and the nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards. The Commission is reviewing the state's water boards to identify reforms that will improve public outcomes through the boards' interactions around California's water quality needs. This hearing will provide a broad assessment of current water-related issues and policies in California. Witnesses also will discuss their roles and experiences at the federal, state and regional levels. A complete agenda is on the reverse.

There will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the hearing. The Commission also encourages written comments.

Also, the Commission will meet for dinner on Wednesday, March 26, 2008, at 6 p.m. at Mason's Restaurant, 1116 15th Street, Sacramento.

All public notices for meetings are on the Commission's Web site, www.lhc.ca.gov. If you need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Stuart Drown at (916) 445-2125 or littlehoover@lhc.ca.gov by Thursday, March 20, 2008.

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Public Hearing: 9 a.m.

California Water 101

1. Lisa Beutler, Associate Director, Center for Collaborative Policy

State Perspective

2. Tam Doduc, Chairwoman, State Water Resources Control Board

Federal Perspective

3. Alexis Strauss, Director, Water Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9

Regional Perspective

4. Carole Beswick, Chairwoman, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
5. Karl Longley, Chairman, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

Business Meeting Agenda

(The Commission will consider agenda items I-VII at approximately 12:45 p.m. The precise time will vary depending upon the testimony of witnesses and will be determined at the discretion of the chair.)

- I. Election of Officers
- II. Business Meeting Minutes from February 28, 2008
- III. Draft Report – Alcohol and Drug Review
- IV. Schedule/Project Selection
- V. Subcommittee Reports
- VI. Implementation Activity
- VII. Reports from Bureau of State Audits